

APRIL 17, 2012
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jackson called the regular meeting to order on April 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at Ashland City Hall, 109 East Broadway.

Alderman Uhrig gave the invocation.

Mayor Jackson led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Jackson called the roll:

Ward One: David Thomas-here, Barbara Henke-Christopher-absent

Ward Two: Randy Wyatt-here, Mike Calvert-absent

Ward Three: Matt Uhrig-here, Carl Long-here

Staff Present: Kelly Henderson, City Administrator, Charles Senzee, Community Development Director, David Bandre, City Attorney and Darla Sapp, City Clerk.

Mayor Jackson presented the agenda for April 17, 2012 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to approve the agenda with the addition of adding 8 A. Employment Agreement with City Administrator. Mayor Jackson called for the vote with the addition. Motion carried.

Mayor Jackson presented the minutes from April 03, 2012 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Jackson called for discussion or corrections. Mayor Jackson reported that the Board of Aldermen 2012 Goals was a quarterly review. Mayor Jackson called for the vote with the minor clarification in the minutes. Motion carried.

Mayor Jackson presented the bills to be paid for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to pay the bills as presented. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. The Board questioned several bills. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion carried.

Barb Bishop of 302 Salinda Drive presented to the Board of Aldermen a presentation on the history of the fees on the utility bills; collection fees, yard waste fees and recycling fees. She questioned the fees and how much money is collected versus the actual cost. She stated people that live in apartment buildings do not even use the yard waste service but everyone is being charged. She condemned the handling of the recycling and the yard waste. She questioned the legality of these fees. David Bandre, City Attorney reported these fees are legal. She asked that the utility bills be reformatted to put the actual costs for service and the fees separated out on the bill. Barb Bishop said she was tired of being nicked and dined to death and some people have no resource to add to their income to cover all of these fees. She felt the yard waste service could be done away with and we could educate the citizens to leave the grass clippings on their yard and they can burn their yard waste or take to a service to have it done at their expense. She stated

that Ken Eftink had a survey done and the citizens wanted these services but did not want to pay for it. Barb Bishop said she has been proud to watch Richard Jones' business grow. She stated there is other landscaper's in town that could also provide this service to citizens. She felt the private enterprises could offer this service on their own and we should not have stepped into a private enterprises business. She felt this was back door taxing and felt there are other alternatives out there. She asked that the ~~yard waste and the recycling~~ be suspended and other alternatives be looked into. She gave an overview of the cities she has talked with on the recycling and yard waste. The Board discussed this and Mayor Jackson said we would take this under advisement.

Mayor Jackson presented a Resolution for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement for auditing services with Gerding, Korte and Chitwood Certified Public Accountants for fiscal year 2012, 2013 and 2014. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson reported we received one RFQ and proposal. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented a Resolution for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to take up the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement for professional engineering services with Allstate Consultants for owner supervised plan. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Kelly Henderson, City Administrator reported he made the recommendation to obtain this firm because they are qualified and have some of the mapping of the City. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented a Resolution for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up the Resolution authorizing the City Administrator to enter into an agreement for inspection of the 300,000 gallon elevated water tower. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented a Resolution for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up the Resolution declaring the results of the General Election held in the City of Ashland, Missouri on April 03, 2012. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-absent. Motion carried.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up the employment agreement for the city administrator. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. David Bandre, City Attorney reported the corrections have been made along with the salary and vacation changes. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye,

Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-absent, Alderman Calvert-absent. Motion Carried.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jackson thanked Alderman Long for his 17 years of service and Alderwoman Henke-Christopher for her three years of service. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion carried.

The City Clerk swore Mayor, Michael P. Jackson, Alderman Ward One, Gene Rhorer, Alderman Ward Two, Randy Wyatt, Alderman Ward Three, Charles Calvin Crandall into office.

Mayor Jackson welcomed the new members to the Board.

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order with the new Board members at 7:58 p.m.

Ward One: David Thomas-here, Gene Rhorer-here
Ward Two: Randy Wyatt-here, Mike Calvert-absent
Ward Three: Matt Uhrig-here, Charles Calvin Crandall-here

Mayor Jackson reported the next item on the agenda under appearances is Charles Senzee, Community Development update. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave an overview of his progress report for community development. He updated the Board of the Planning and Zoning meeting April 10. He reported a member has resigned and expressed the need for more members. Charles Senzee updated the Board on the code revisions to Chapter 28 and 29 and fee schedules. He stated they would be advertised in the paper and be on the second meeting in May's agenda for consideration. He informed the Board of training they attended presented by MODOT on ADA compliance on sidewalks and streets. He gave an overview of the building permits and the code enforcement on violations. Alderman Crandall asked the status of the construction material and debris at the end of Kristi Lane. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director reported that they are checking into this. He stated the property is located within the county, but the property is not accessible from any other area. There was discussion of barricading the street to not allow access but there are legal questions that need to be addressed.

Mayor Jackson presented Dusty Weter to serve on the Park Board and Fall Festival Committee. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Crandall-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Rhorer-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2012-007 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Crandall to take up Council Bill No. 2012-007, an ordinance revising Chapter 6, Boards and Commission, Generally of the City of Ashland code. First Reading by title only. Kelly Henderson stated they reviewed Chapters 9, 10 and 11 of the City Code and felt they should consolidate these sections in to Chapter 6. Mayor Jackson called for discussion or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Crandall-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Rhorer-aye, Alderman Calvert-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board. Barb Bishop asked if we had something in place for people not financially able to mow their lots, like community service or church groups. Charles Senzee reported most of these violations are vacant lots and he does work with the property owner, but there is nothing else set up for financial help.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Jackson reminded everyone of the Ashland Out Loud scheduled for Thursday and gave an overview of the activities. He encouraged everyone to participate and spend money in the community. He stated this is a great event for the City of Ashland and economic development and where we are heading with that.

City Administrator's Report:

Kelly Henderson, City Administrator updated the Board on the monthly meeting on the wastewater treatment system. He stated he informed E.D.I. that if the plant does not perform to his satisfaction by December 31, 2012 we will need to go a different direction. He stated he is still reviewing the original report of the Regional Sewer District. He reported he has not received any response from the Fire District on the generator agreement. He informed the Board that the continuous analyzers have been installed and we are ahead of the May 1 deadline of submitting a revised sampling plan. He stated he will be considering alternative action on the required backup DS operator license.

City Attorney's Report:

David Bandre, City Attorney reported he has 10 years worth of records in his office. The Board discussed this and felt Mr. Bandre could bring the records to City Hall for review, for the records and disposal.

Aldersperson's Report:

Alderman Thomas reported the damaged flags have been replaced at the Avenue of the Flags.

Alderman Wyatt reported that Kelly Henderson and himself will be attending an emergency management meeting on May 16. He welcomed Alderman Crandall and Alderman Rhorer to the Board.

Alderman Uhrig invited everyone to the Ashland Out Loud Mayors breakfast. He informed the Board that the Economic Development Committee will have the second meeting tomorrow. He reported that Kim Ponder is president, Kelly Henderson is vice president and he is secretary/treasurer. He informed the Board that ~~that~~ they will be setting up sub-committees. He stated that a business owner in his ward wants to talk at a work session at 6:00 p.m. on May 1 on the stormwater policy. He stated that he would not be at the work session or make any comments on this matter due to the individual being a client of his.

Alderman Crandall reported he was glad to be here.

Alderman Rhorer reported he had nothing to report but was also glad to be here.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Michael P. Jackson, Mayor

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